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Pennsylvania Broilers

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Pennsylvania Broiler Placements Up 12 Percent from the Previous Week

Pennsylvania: Broiler chicks placed in the Commonwealth during the week ending January 1, 2005, were 3,039,000, up 12 percent from the previous week and 16 percent above the corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 11 percent above one year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 4,033,000, up 5 percent from the previous week and up 20 percent from the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 9 percent above the comparable period last year.

Nineteen States: Broiler chicks placed in the 19 Selected States were 172,321,000, up slightly from the previous week and up 2 percent from the

corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 3 percent above one year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 210,659,000, up slightly from the previous week and up 2 percent from the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 2 percent above the comparable period last year.

Expected Marketings: Expected marketings, based on placements 7-9 weeks earlier, less mortality allowance, in Pennsylvania for the week ending February 26, 2005, will be 2,787,000, up 9 percent from a year earlier. The 19 States expected marketings should total 167,410,000, 2 percent above the previous year.

Broilers Placed, Eggs Set, Expected Marketings

| Period Covered | | Pennsylvania | | | 19 States | | |
|----------------------------------|---------|------------------|-----------------|-----------|------------------|-----------------|--|
| | Number | Percent | | Number | Percent | | |
| | (1,000) | Previous Week | Year Earlier | (1,000) | Previous Week | Year Earlier | |
| Broilers Placed | | | | | | | |
| Past Week | 3,039 | 112 | 116 | 172,321 | 100 | 102 | |
| Past 9 Weeks | 25,743 | NA | 111 | 1,514,559 | NA | 103 | |
| Eggs Set | | | | | | | |
| Past Week | 4,033 | 105 | 120 | 210,659 | 100 | 102 | |
| Past 3 Weeks | 11,957 | NA | 109 | 631,974 | NA | 102 | |
| Expected Marketings Week Ending: | 2 707 | NIA | 100 | 167.410 | NIA | 102 | |
| Feb 26, 2005 | 2,787 | NA | 109 | 167,410 | NA | 102 | |

Poultry Slaughter: Broiler-fryers slaughtered in Pennsylvania under Federal Inspection during the week ending December 25, 2004, totaled 1,628,000 head with an average live weight of 5.27 pounds.

Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

| | Week Ending | | | | | | |
|---------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|--|
| State | Nov 27 2004 | Dec 4 2004 | Dec 11 2004 | Dec 18 2004 | Dec 25 2004 | Jan 1 2004 | |
| | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | |
| AL | 29,400 | 29,704 | *29,155 | 29,952 | 29,390 | 29,541 | |
| AR | 30,922 | 30,902 | 30,746 | 30,766 | 31,169 | 31,240 | |
| DE | 3,815 | 3,848 | 3,854 | 3,887 | 4,033 | 3,800 | |
| FL | 1,339 | 1,339 | *1,339 | 1,324 | 1,328 | 1,330 | |
| GA | 33,134 | *33,278 | 33,550 | 33,998 | 33,818 | 33,822 | |
| KY | *7,073 | *6,970 | 7,107 | 7,023 | *6,145 | 7,366 | |
| LA | 3,979 | 3,984 | 3,984 | 3,984 | 3,984 | 4,013 | |
| MD | 8,736 | 8,596 | 8,777 | 8,723 | 8,767 | 8,715 | |
| MS | 19,627 | 19,249 | 19,018 | 19,553 | 19,033 | 19,025 | |
| ND | 17,451 | 17,056 | *17,374 | 18,188 | *18,354 | 17,893 | |
| OK | 6,693 | 6,503 | 6,389 | 5,984 | *6,529 | 6,474 | |
| PA | 3,957 | 3,803 | 4,234 | *4,100 | *3,824 | 4,033 | |
| SC | 4,559 | *4,805 | *4,610 | *4,718 | *4,800 | 4,761 | |
| TX | *14,489 | *14,981 | *15,002 | *14,572 | *15,076 | 14,871 | |
| VA | 6,499 | 6,398 | 6,369 | 6,408 | 6,249 | 6,240 | |
| CA, MO, TN, & WV | *18,018 | *16,702 | *18,090 | *18,052 | *17,584 | 17,535 | |
| 19 State Total | *209,691 | *208,118 | *209,598 | *211,232 | *210,083 | 210,659 | |
| Previous Year Total | 208,986 | 204,662 | 207,313 | 205,549 | 205,908 | 205,672 | |
| Pct. Of Prev. Year | 100 | 102 | 101 | 103 | 102 | 102 | |

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Broiler Chicks Set, 19 Selected States

| | Week Ending | | | | | | |
|---------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|--|
| State | Nov 27 2004 | Dec 4 2004 | Dec 11 2004 | Dec 18 2004 | Dec 25 2004 | Jan 1 2004 | |
| | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | |
| AL | 20,715 | 20,604 | 22,434 | 21,088 | *21,363 | 21,191 | |
| AR | 20,983 | 24,740 | 24,158 | 26,068 | *25,011 | 24,071 | |
| DE | 5,125 | 5,267 | *5,684 | 5,570 | *5,449 | 6,286 | |
| FL | 1,354 | 1,639 | 1,438 | 1,501 | 1,418 | 1,532 | |
| GA | 25,992 | 26,637 | 25,214 | 26,668 | 26,858 | 26,532 | |
| KY | 5,858 | 5,869 | 6,091 | *6,153 | *5,903 | 5,818 | |
| LA | 4,208 | 3,821 | 4,074 | 3,633 | *3,716 | 3,801 | |
| MD | 5,417 | 4,499 | 4,821 | 5,265 | 5,121 | 4,630 | |
| MS | 16,631 | 16,887 | 17,334 | 17,507 | *17,253 | 16,928 | |
| ND | 14,317 | 14,867 | 14,584 | 14,228 | *14,275 | 14,129 | |
| OK | 4,956 | 4,423 | 5,564 | 5,288 | *4,867 | 5,719 | |
| PA | 2,945 | 2,912 | 2,967 | *2,865 | *2,717 | 3,039 | |
| SC | 3,664 | 4,267 | 3,817 | 4,423 | 4,504 | 4,259 | |
| TX | 12,427 | *12,075 | *12,391 | *12,137 | *12,545 | 12,517 | |
| VA | 4,913 | 5,561 | 5,178 | 5,249 | 5,114 | 5,248 | |
| CA, MO, TN, & WV | 16,578 | 17,206 | *16,244 | *15,628 | *16,058 | 16,621 | |
| 19 State Total | 166,083 | *171,274 | *171,993 | *173,271 | *172,172 | 172,321 | |
| Previous Year Total | 164,561 | 167,566 | 166,640 | 170,414 | 168,199 | 168,268 | |
| Pct. Of Prev. Year | 101 | 102 | 103 | 102 | 102 | 102 | |

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